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June 27, 1995

Ms. Colleen T. Sealander, Attorney
Central Enforcement Docket
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 4378

Dear Ms. Sealander:

I received your letter dated June 5, 1996 regarding the above captioned docket. Subsequently, I received your letter dated June 7, which apparently is to be substituted for the letter of June 5, 1996. The June 7 letter was delivered to my home, while my wife and I were traveling, and consequently, I did not receive it until my return on June 17, 1996.

It appears that Docket MUR 4378 arises out of a complaint filed against the National Republican Senatorial Committee which does not name me, the Montanans for Rehberg Committee or my treasurer. Nevertheless, you suggest in your letter that the complaint somehow "indicates" that I "may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act")." Because neither I nor anyone associated directly with my campaign is named as a party in the complaint, and because the complaint is, as far as I can tell, based solely on conjecture, innuendo and misrepresentations, it is difficult for me to respond to your request without further explanation of the Commission's concerns. I respectfully request, therefore, that you provided a more definite statement as to which allegations the Commission believes indicate that I or my campaign have violated any provisions of the Act and specify which provisions the Commission believes may have been violated.

While I will cooperate to the fullest extent possible with the Commission, I do feel that your request is too broad to be answered with any specificity. To the best of my knowledge, I and my campaign have complied with all provisions of the Act. It is, therefore, impossible for me to attempt to respond to your request as I am uncertain of the charges. Upon further explanation, however, I will do my best to provide any information I can to ensure that the Commission is fully informed. Your allegations disturb me personally, and it is my sincere hope that this matter will

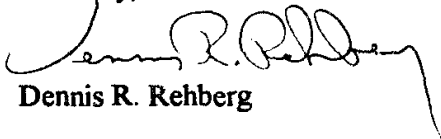
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be resolved promptly. I am confident that when provided with more specific information, we will be able to fully alleviate your concerns.

Sincerely,


Dennis R. Rehberg

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